

DREAMING

ACT ONE

INT. FRONT ROOM OF HOUSE - WINTER AFTERNOON

SOUND OF PIANO PLAYING

*Outside there is snow. The light from the sun setting reflects off and through the window of the front room of the house. In front of the left of the window is a Christmas tree decorated with colored ornaments and topped with a white star. Under the tree there are presents, sparse but colorful. To the left of the tree against the wall is a brown piano covered with christmas decorations. At the piano, a woman with short black hair is playing a sweet lullaby. It is happy and adds to the warm winter atmosphere. To the left of the piano is another wall with a fireplace. The fire is lit and there is a garland and stockings hanging from the awning. There is also a wreath above the ledge. The middle of the room is empty. The floor is dark wood. A girl sits in the middle. She has brown hair and brown eyes and wears a light grey sweater dress with black tights and a magenta headband. She is playing with a doll dressed in a hot pink tutu with brown hair and blue eyes. As the little girl listens to her mom playing the piano, she begins to dance around like a ballerina. She closes her eyes and the atmosphere changes. She is now in a pink tutu, her hair tied into a bun with a pink ribbon. Pointe shoes wrapped around her feet. She is on a stage in front of a large crowd with a midnight blue background. She is dancing her heart out to the melody her mom is playing.*

THE SOUND OF A CAR DOOR. A HONK. A DOG BARKING

*She is broken out of her daydream.*

KEYS JANGLING. DOOR OPENING AND SLAMMING. HARD FOOTSTEPS.

*The girls dad walks in. Her mom stops playing the piano and goes to talk to the dad. There is arguing as the mom shows the dad an ad for pointe shoes. The dad swipes the paper from her hands. The sound of ripping is seen by the girl. The girl looks at her doll and sighs dejectedly. Her facial expression goes from sad to determined. She packs up all of her ballet toys and clothes opens a book and begins to study.*

ACT TWO

INT. KITCHEN/DINING ROOM- AFTERNOON

CLOCK TICKING

*As she studies, she grows older. Her hair grows longer as well as her face. The clock spins, phantoms go across the screen. The lighting goes from night to day, winter to summer.*

FADE OUT

EXT. FIELD- AFTERNOON

CHEERS

*Hundreds of graduation hats are thrown into the air. People smiling and hugging.*

SNAPSHOT/CAMERA

Flash. Girl and parents taking picture. The girl stands in the center. A blue cap and blue gown with yellow tassel. She holds a diploma. Her smile does not quite reach her eyes. Her mom is to her left and her dad to her right, both leaning to the middle, squishing her in the process with bright and proud smiles. Focuses on her as her parents blur out.

FADE OUT

INT. DOCTOR'S OFFICE - LATE AFTERNOON

DOOR OPENING AND CLOSING

She waves bye to a patient as they exit. She is in her office. There is a desk with a picture of her mom and dad on vacation. Her dad wears a hawaiian shirt as bright as his smile. Her parents looked aged since we last saw them. She looks at the picture. She looks worn out with bags under her eyes. She smiles at the picture, but her smile is strained. She sighs, packs her bag, and leaves.

LIGHTS TURN OFF

ACT THREE

EXT. CITY STREET- NIGHT

CAR HORMS. PEOPLE CHATTERING.

*There are people throughout the streets, she is walking home. As she passes a pole, something piques her interest. On the pole is an ad for a dance class for all ages. We see her worn and sad face smile a bit as she takes it from the pole and runs off.*

INT. STUDIO- TIME UNKNOWN

PIANO PLAYING (calming, but also happy and up tempo)

*The dance class has ages ranging from children to adults. She practices her spins, jump, plies etc. After montage, see her bowing on stage with flowers being thrown. We see her waving goodbye and bumping into a guy. The man has black hair and blue eyes. He is tall and wears a white shirt and tie with black pants and shoes. His height shows his age, but his face is very child like.*

*Montage of them hanging out together. We see them at a cafe, walking through a park, on the phone, visiting each other at work, a wedding proposal and the wedding. They have a child and buy a house.*

CAMERA SHUTTER

INT. ROOM OF HOUSE- DAY

SOUND OF TAPE OR SCISSORS. A BOX OPENING

She opens a box and pulls out her old ballerina doll. She looks at it and smiles nostalgically. She gives it to her daughter who is currently dancing around in a teal tutu. The daughter takes it excitedly and begins dancing.

INT. AUDITORIUM/THEATRE- NIGHT

PIANO PLAYING

The surroundings change around the daughter to a stage. She and her husband watch her daughter proudly. Everything they went through was for her.

CHEERING

FADE OUT